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## INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in  
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 19 September 1956

Acting Director of Central Intelligence  
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell  
Presiding\*

Deputy Director (Intelligence), CIA  
Robert Amory, Jr.  
Presiding\*

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant for Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,  
Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Major General Millard Lewis, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters,  
United States Air Force  
Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence,  
The Joint Staff  
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative  
to the IAC  
Mr. Ralph R. Roach, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation  
representative to the IAC

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1. SNIE 30-5-56

The Likelihood of Certain  
Developments in the Suez  
Crisis

a. Approved as amended.

b. The Chairman commended those who had participated in the preparation of this estimate, and noted that, in the present situation, the IAC members might be called upon to validate this estimate on very short notice.

2. Approval of Minutes

11 September Meeting  
(IAC-M-255)

Approved as written, subject to the following amendments in item 2 (Watch Committee Report):

(1) Subparagraph b -- amend the first sentence to read: "The Chairman noted that the conclusions of the annex were substantially estimative in nature, and queried whether such estimates should not have the approval of the IAC in a formal meeting."

(2) Subparagraph d -- amend the statement within the parentheses in lines five and six to read: "(This is standard practice under NSCID No. 1, para. 6.)"

3. Watch Committee Report

No. 319

Noted this report, including the special report incorporated in the annex thereto.

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4. Communist China's Imports and Exports, 1955: Trade and Transport Involved  
(IAC-D-42/12.3, 6 September 1956)

a. Approved this report.

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5. Fifth Annual Progress Report of the Economic Intelligence Committee  
(IAC-D-22/6, 20 August 1956)

a. Noted this report.

b. Mr. Amory noted the fine work done by the Economic Intelligence Committee, referring particularly to the fact that certain aspects of its work had proved useful to advisers to the President on economic policy.

6. Post-Mortem and Validity Study for NIE 11-4-56, Soviet Capabilities and Courses of Action Through 1961  
(Memorandum to IAC, 10 September)

a. Noted the findings and approved the recommended action, as amended, of the post-mortem on NIE 11-4-56.

b. Noted the validity study of NIE 11-3-55, "Soviet Capabilities and Probable Soviet Courses of Action Through 1960," 17 May 1955.

Adjournment: 1225



Secretary

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